

## OWNER RIDES TO WIN OVER PROFESSIONALS

F. Ambrose Clark Surprises All by Donning Own Colors in Tonkaway Steeplechase.

### EXHIBITS MASTER HAND

Has Peregrine Pickle, His Own Importation, Under Control Throughout Jump Race.

BELMONT PARK TERMINAL, Nov. 4.—F. Ambrose Clark usurped nearly all the glory at the closing of the Meadow Brook Steeplechase Association here this afternoon. Mr. Clark, who was at the zenith of his career as an owner and amateur rider a dozen years ago, seldom has appeared in the saddle of late, but occasionally has started the hunting party sending a winner to the post. This afternoon Mr. Clark donned his own light-colored saddle and cap and won the Tonkaway Steeplechase. Handicapped with Peregrine Pickle, a remarkably fine jumper, which made his first appearance in this country.

The race was the only one of the day in which professionals had mounts, and the man who years ago won many races with Jim Megginson and Rowdy was the only amateur in the field for the only really interesting contest of the card. In three of the other races only two horses started and in two only one finished, while the six racing dash, which opened the sport, was won by eight lengths by Paul D. Chaswick Johnson.

There was a mystery at first about Peregrine Pickle and it was whispered that the unknown was quoted at \$6 to 1 in the opening prices. There was a rumor to support him when it was learned that two years ago he had beaten the Liverpool Stable Handicap and had been schooled carefully over the steeplechase course to the point where he was brought to this country last year. His odds dropped to \$6 to 1 like a shot and though he receded a little toward the end he used second favorite to the entry of the Chambord Hands All Around.

Bill Andrews, the Adventures, winner of a similar race at Saturday, was a good second and closed at 3 to 1, the price offered against Mrs. Payne Whitney's Cherry Malotte, which had the track record. E. Heider, in the saddle, Bill Andrews won a swift race at the start followed by Adventures and Perry Stable. At the paddock, jump Advances went down, while the others refused, thus saving the stand. As they crossed the judges for the first time Bill Andrews, Cherry Malotte and Peregrine Pickle were running in close order, but the latter was hard held. Mr. Clark had a grip on his horse starting along the stretch that it was feared he would fall. An instant later the jockey let the imported gelding to his head and he raced to Cherry Malotte to win a long dash of 300 yards. Andrews, going up the hill to the turn, then turned for the finish and won the race. Andrews was beaten but Hands All Around came up to issue with the leader. They took consecutive jumps almost together and when Mr. Clark went to the whip for a lead at the top of the stretch he was asked to go on to the homestead, but a moment, however, for Peregrine Pickle showed his real worth as, facing beautifully, he held his own with Hands All Around. Over the last jump the two went almost together, but in the run to the finishful speed of Peregrine Pickle made the separation. The distance from the past the judges was ten lengths of the last two. The result was that the ten judges present that Mr. Clark's horse gave a race to the best steeplechasers in this country.

Another popular victory was that scored by Paul D. Chaswick with Johnny, Jr., leading opening race. Mr. Clark, who is leading the paddock Rock Club, which had some show, was the only other organization to have a moment of racing. Johnny was third on Saturday at a rate of five furlongs and the extra furlong today was in his favor. He beat the hill near the fifteen with the strength of a lion and won easily by eight lengths. No one could understand what happened to Formet, the favorite, which beat Johnny on Saturday and today finished absolutely last. The summary:

### FIRST RACE

The Tonkaway Handicap, \$500, for two-year-olds and under; gentlemen riders; about six furlongs. Price, Fin. Horse and age, Wt. Jockey, Prices, Fin. Horse and age, Wt. M. Clark, 23-1, 13-1, 14-1, 15-1, 16-1, 17-1, 18-1, 19-1, 20-1, 21-1, 22-1, 23-1, 24-1, 25-1, 26-1, 27-1, 28-1, 29-1, 30-1, 31-1, 32-1, 33-1, 34-1, 35-1, 36-1, 37-1, 38-1, 39-1, 40-1, 41-1, 42-1, 43-1, 44-1, 45-1, 46-1, 47-1, 48-1, 49-1, 50-1, 51-1, 52-1, 53-1, 54-1, 55-1, 56-1, 57-1, 58-1, 59-1, 60-1, 61-1, 62-1, 63-1, 64-1, 65-1, 66-1, 67-1, 68-1, 69-1, 70-1, 71-1, 72-1, 73-1, 74-1, 75-1, 76-1, 77-1, 78-1, 79-1, 80-1, 81-1, 82-1, 83-1, 84-1, 85-1, 86-1, 87-1, 88-1, 89-1, 90-1, 91-1, 92-1, 93-1, 94-1, 95-1, 96-1, 97-1, 98-1, 99-1, 100-1, 101-1, 102-1, 103-1, 104-1, 105-1, 106-1, 107-1, 108-1, 109-1, 110-1, 111-1, 112-1, 113-1, 114-1, 115-1, 116-1, 117-1, 118-1, 119-1, 120-1, 121-1, 122-1, 123-1, 124-1, 125-1, 126-1, 127-1, 128-1, 129-1, 130-1, 131-1, 132-1, 133-1, 134-1, 135-1, 136-1, 137-1, 138-1, 139-1, 140-1, 141-1, 142-1, 143-1, 144-1, 145-1, 146-1, 147-1, 148-1, 149-1, 150-1, 151-1, 152-1, 153-1, 154-1, 155-1, 156-1, 157-1, 158-1, 159-1, 160-1, 161-1, 162-1, 163-1, 164-1, 165-1, 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